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New U.S. Patent Application

Title: OPTICAL PICKUP DEVICE, OPTICAL INFORMATION
RECORDING AND REPRODUCING APPARATUS AND
OBJECTIVE LENS

Inventors: Tohru KIMURA, Nobuyoshi MORI and Kazutaka NOGUCHI

Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above patent application.

1. Application- 115 pages, including 6 independent claims and 55 claims total.
2. Drawings- 7 sheets of drawings containing 14 Figures.
3. Declaration and Power of Attorney.
4. Recordation Form Cover Sheet and Assignment to KONICA MINOLTA OPTO, INC.
5. Certified copy of Japanese Patent Application Nos. 2003-110770, filed April 15, 2003 and 2003-319517, filed September 11, 2003.
6. The filing fee is calculated as follows:

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Basic Application Filing Fee				\$770	\$ \$770.00
	Number of Claims	Basic	Extra Claims		
Total Claims	55	-	20	35	x \$18 630.00
Independent Claims	6	-	3	3	x \$86 258.00
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7. A check for \$1,698.00 is enclosed. The fee includes:

\$770.00 filing fee;
\$888.00 additional claims fee; and
\$ 40.00 Assignment recordation fee.

Applicant claims the right to priority based on Japanese Patent Application Nos. 2003-110770, filed April 15, 2003 and 2003-319517, filed September 11, 2003.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional filing fees due and any other fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or §1.17 during the pendency of this application to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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